# The Sage-Grouse Local Working Group Locator

A Geographic Perspective to Sage-grouse Conservation Efforts

### Communitybased approaches to conservation

A bird's-eye

conservation

view to

planning

Greater sage-grouse populations have experienced range-wide declines as a result of continued habitat loss, degradation, and fragmentation. Although state wildlife agencies are ultimately responsible for the management of their resident sage-grouse populations, the involvement of community based sage-grouse conservation teams or Local Working Groups (LWGs), provide a critical element to the success of preserving this species and sagebrush habitats. Sixty-three LWGs have been established in 11 western states and 2 Canadian provinces. Many groups have been active for several years and are engaged in on-the-ground projects. Other groups have either just been formed or are in the process of identifying resource threats

in their area and are developing Conservation Plans to address those concerns.

## **Project Description:**

**Background:** 

The Sage-Grouse Local Working Group Locator is a web-based, geographically-linked database to identify who and where LWGs are range-wide, as well as what types of projects and conservation efforts have been identified in a specific area. The LWG Locator provides a central resource for LWGs and interested stakeholders to facilitate greater connectivity and information exchange throughout the region.

The LWG Locator is a place where LWGs can share information about their:

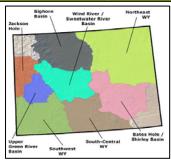
- accomplishments
- local success stories
- lessons learned
- photos from the field

#### Sage-grouse LWGs Range-wide



Click on a state or province to get to the State Page.

#### State Page



Click on a LWG for local details.
State page includes state contact info, links to state web-sites and Conservation Plans.

#### LWG Page



LWG Page includes local contact info, conservation planning status, ownership & vegetation descriptions, links to existing LWG web pages.

# For more information

To find out more about the LWG Locator or if you would like to share information about your LWG, please go to our website or contact the Project Coordinator:

http://greatbasin.nbii.gov/lwg/index.asp

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